economic development. Planning process, therefore, made no attempt to have an independent employment policy.

Labour Laws to private.security agencies

4540. SHRI TARINI KANTAROY: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names, addresses and other details of the private security agencies operating in India;

(b) how many of them are multinational agencies with their names and addresses;

(c) the total number of people working in each agency, agency-wise; and

(d) whether labour laws of India are applicable to employees of the security agencies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) to (d) Details of private security agencies are not Centrally maintained by the Ministry of Labour & Employment. Labour Laws are applicable to those private security agencies who fulfil the requirements of the relevant Labour Laws.

Cases filed by office of EPFC

4541. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases filed by the office of Employees' Provident Fund Commissioner against the employees under various provisions of law during the year 2006-07. region-wise;

(b) the number of such cases pending in Courts as on 31st March, ' 2007, region-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to ensure prompt disposal of such cases in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES): (a) and (b) The number of cases sanctioned for prosecution by the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) against its employees during 2006-07 and the number

of such cases pending in Courts as on 31st March 2007 are 21 and 90, respectively, as per details given in enclosed Statement (See below).

(c) Progress of the pending cases is regularly monitored by EPFO. Standing Counsels have been impressed upon to get expeditious disposal of the cases and prayers are made to Hon'ble Courts accordingly. However, the Courts dispose of the cases filed before it in accordance with the due procedure.

Statement

The_number of cases sanctioned for prosecution by EPFO against its employees during 2006-07 *and the number of cases pending in courts as on* 31*st March,* 2007.

SI. No.	Region	No. of prosecution sanctions accorded during 2006-07	Old pending cases	Total pending cases
1.	Bangalore	0	11	11
2.	Chennai	0	0	1
3.	Coimbatore	1	1	1
4.	Guntur	0	2	2
5.	Gujarat	2	12	14
6.	Haryana	2	2	. 4
7.	Jharkhand	3	3	6
8.	Kerala	0	1	1
9.	Madhya Pradesh	7	0	7
10.	Mumbai-I	1	3	4
11.	Mumbai-ll	0	3	3
12.	Nagpur	0	9	9
13.	Orissa	0	12	12
14.	Pune	0	1	1
15.	Rajasthan	3	0	3
16.	Uttar Pradesh	1	7	8
17.	Uttaranchal	1	**0**	1
18.	West Bengal	0	2	2
	TOTAL:	21	69	90